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TO : Assistant Director, Research and Reports

DATE: 2 September 1954

THRU: Chief, Economic Research Area

FROM : Chief, Services Division

Subject: Submittal of Project No. 42.585, "The Pattern of Soviet Bloc - Free World Trade Since 1948"

- 1. This project was requested by Mr. Benedict of the White House Staff after consultation with the AD/RR and AD/CI.
- 2. The report concerns the trends in the nature and magnitude of Soviet Bloc Free World trade, and as such is a necessary part of research in the larger problem of Soviet Bloc Free World economic relations.
- 3. The report is based on recorded trade data as reported by the Department of Commerce and other like sources and, because of the rush nature of the project, does not include unanalyzed and unevaluated information which would require more leisurely perusal. The data was adjusted on the basis of 1948 world prices to make the estimates comparable over the time period.
- 4. The manuscript covers adequately the recorded trade activity of the Soviet Bloc with the Free World and presents this activity in a series of bar graphs in which trends in magnitude, composition, and distribution of such trade are readily perceivable.
- 5. Because of the rush nature of this project, copy edited by St/PB is being coordinated with D/E. A typescript copy is being prepared for AD/RR for delivery to Mr. Benedict. No further dissemination is recommended. A copy of the final released version will be forwarded shortly to St/PC as a record of this project.

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STATEMENT OF PROBLEM AND TERMS OF REFERENCE:

Problem: To make a general survey of Soviet Bloc-Free World Trade since 1943 and to determine patterns and trends

Tarms of Reference: This report is to include a generous graphical supplement.

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